

Claims

I claim:

1. A stable dried Factor VIII composition containing histidine and a stabilizing amount of trehalose in the absence of albumin.
2. The composition, according to claim 1, containing 0.15 to 2.5 mg trehalose per unit of blood factor.
3. The composition, according to claim 1, wherein said Factor VIII is recombinant.
4. The composition, according to claim 1, containing 1.0 to 1.5 mg calcium ion per unit of Factor VIII.
5. A method of preparing a stable freeze-dried blood factor composition containing a stabilizing amount of trehalose in the absence of albumin in which an aqueous solution of Factor VIII containing trehalose and histidine is freeze-dried.
6. A method for preparing a Factor VIII therapeutic composition for administration to a patient by injection, wherein said method comprises reconstituting a stable freeze-dried Factor VIII composition containing histidine and a stabilizing amount of trehalose in the absence of albumin.
7. The method, according to claim 6, wherein said composition is reconstituted with water.
8. The method, according to claim 6, wherein said composition is reconstituted with saline.